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SENATOR QUANDAH: So I've been recognized and I better get going, in other words, Mr. Speaker. Is that right?

SPEAKER BROMM: That's correct, Senator Quandah.

SENATOR QUANDAH: Okay. Thank you. Members of the body, my amendment that's before us right now is really fairly simple. It puts an exclusion from Senator Aguilar's bill which would criminalize behavior, but it would put an exclusion for vehicles traveling 25 miles per hour or less. And so, before I begin and actually talk about my amendment, I'd like to talk about the bill itself. One thing that we should be reminded is, is that this bill does create a new criminal statute. It would make a driver a criminal, subject to a criminal conviction, fines, and then also to points off their driver's license in the same manner as any other criminal statute would do. I have heard some arguments against my amendment, saying that 25 miles per hour, it's not...we're not so much worried about the driver of the particular truck where there may be unrestrained passengers in there; we're worried about the other people on the roadways. But I would also amend you...or remind you that it's already against the law to drive carelessly. It's already against the law to drive negligently. It's already against the law to drive over the speed limit. It's already against the law to disobey traffic signals. That's already in the law and that's something that, as a fact of life, that we will never, never get to the point where we'll be able to legislate those sort of accidents from ever happening. And so, as such, my particular amendment merely calls for an exclusion for those vehicles, those trucks, those vans or whatever, that are traveling at 25 miles per hour or less. The reason why that particular speed made sense to me and the reason that I had for that particular speed is that 25 miles per hour is the speed limit in our residential neighborhoods. Twenty-five miles per hour is where your kids and mine walk down the street, sometimes walk on the sidewalks, and we feel that 25 miles per hour is a prudent speed limit for those particular areas. Now, even though when my amendment is adopted, and I would urge you to vote for my amendment, there is still going to be problems with this particular bill. It would still retain the portion in there that calls for exclusions for